

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to insert a reference to the PCT application and the Japanese priority application.

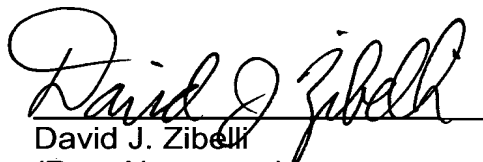
Claims 1-12 have been canceled. Claims 13-24 remain unchanged.

Examination in light of these amendments is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at 202-220-4200 to discuss any matter in connection with this application.

The Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 to the Kenyon & Kenyon Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,


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